

Claim Amendments:

C' 1. (Currently amended) A dietetic composition in the form of a salt substitute for table salt ~~consisting essentially of~~ containing by weight, from:

40% to 50% of potassium chloride,
15% to 25% of sodium chloride,
15% to 25% of one or more calcium salts, and
8% to 15% of one or more magnesium salts.

Claims 2-13 (cancelled)

14. (Previously amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 1 additionally containing from 0.5% to 2.5% by weight of one or more antiagglomerating agents.

15. (Previously amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 1 additionally containing from 0.5% to 2.5% by weight of one or more taste-enhancing agents.

16. (Previously amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 15 additionally containing from 0.5% to 2.5% by weight of one or more antiagglomerating agents.

17. (Previously amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 14 containing from 0.5% to 1% by weight of one or more antiagglomerating agents.

18. (Previously amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 15 containing from 0.5% to 2% by weight of one or more taste-enhancing agents.

19. (Previously amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 18 additionally containing from 0.5% to 1% by weight of one or more antiagglomerating agents.

20. (Currently amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 1 ~~consisting essentially of~~ containing by weight, from:

45% to 50% of potassium chloride,
15% to 20% of sodium chloride,
15% to 20% of one or more calcium salts, and
10% to 15% of one or more magnesium salts.

21. (Previously amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 20 additionally containing from 0.5% to 1% by weight of one or more antiagglomerating agents.

22. (Previously amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 20 additionally containing from 0.5% to 2% by weight of one or more taste-enhancing agents

23. (Previously amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 22 additionally containing from 0.5% to 1% by weight of one or more antiagglomerating agents.

24. (Previously added) A dietetic composition according to claim 23, wherein the calcium salt is selected from the group consisting of monocalcium phosphate, dicalcium phosphate, tricalcium phosphate, calcium glycerophosphate, calcium dicitrate and calcium D-gluconate.

25. (Previously added) A dietetic composition according to claim 24, wherein the magnesium salt is selected from the group consisting of a magnesium phosphate, magnesium gluconate and dibasic magnesium citrate.

26. (Previously added) A dietetic composition according to claim 25, wherein the calcium salt is monocalcium phosphate.

27. (Previously added) A dietetic composition according to claim 26, wherein the magnesium salt is dibasic magnesium citrate.

28. (Previously added) A dietetic composition according to claim 27, wherein at least one antiagglomerating agent is selected from the group consisting of magnesium carbonate,

colloidal silica, magnesium silicate, stearic acid, magnesium stearate and a calcium phosphate.

29. (Previously added) A dietetic composition according to claim 28, wherein at least one taste-enhancing agent is selected from the group consisting of glutamic acid, calcium glutamate, magnesium glutamate, ascorbic acid, calcium ascorbate, magnesium ascorbate, citric acid, calcium citrate and magnesium citrate.

30. (Previously added) A dietetic composition according to claim 29, additionally containing 0.01% by weight of potassium iodide.

31. (Currently amended) A dietetic composition according to claim 29 consisting essentially of by weight:

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45% of potassium chloride,
20% of sodium chloride,
20% of monocalcium phosphate,
12% of dibasic magnesium citrate,
1% of magnesium carbonate,
1% of ascorbic acid, and
1% of glutamic acid.

32. (Previously added) A method for increasing the dietary supply of magnesium and calcium which comprises utilizing in place of common table salt a composition according to claim 1.

33. (Previously added) A method for increasing the dietary supply of magnesium and calcium which comprises utilizing in place of common table salt a composition according to claim 31.

34. (Previously added) A method for the treatment of mild or gravidic high blood pressure, the prevention of high blood pressure, the correction of magnesium deficiencies and/or the

treatment or prevention of hydrosodium retention, which comprises utilizing in place of common table salt a composition according to claim 1.

35. (Previously added) A method for the treatment of mild or gravidic blood pressure, the prevention of high blood pressure, the prevention of high blood pressure, the correction of magnesium deficiencies and/or the treatment or prevention of hydrosodium retention which comprises utilizing in place of common table salt a composition according to claim 31.

36. (New) A dietetic composition in the form of a salt substitute for table salt consisting of by weight:

40% to 50% of potassium chloride,

15% to 25% of sodium chloride,

15% to 25% of a calcium salt,

8% to 15% of a magnesium salt,

0.5% to 2.5% of a taste-enhancing agent, and

0.5% to 2.5% of one or more antiagglomerating agents.
